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HOUSE BILL 1316

Short Title: Speech Pathologist Certif.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representative Payne.

Referred to: Education.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR SPEECH PATHOLOGISTS AND AUDIOLOGISTS EMPLOYED IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS MEET THE MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR SPEECH PATHOLOGISTS AND AUDIOLOGISTS LICENSED BY THE STATE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 115C-296(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) The State Board of Education shall have entire control of certifying all applicants for teaching positions in all public elementary and high schools of North Carolina; and it shall prescribe the rules and regulations for the renewal and extension of all certificates and shall determine and fix the salary for each grade and type of certificate which it ~~authorizes~~; authorizes, provided that: Provided, that (i) the State Board of Education shall require each applicant for an initial certificate or graduate certificate to demonstrate his academic and professional preparation by achieving a prescribed minimum score at least equivalent to that required by the Board on November 30, 1972, on a standard examination appropriate and adequate for that ~~purpose~~; purpose; Provided, further, that (ii) in the event the Board shall specify the National Teachers Examination for this purpose, the required minimum score shall not be lower than that which the Board required on November 30, ~~1972~~; 1972; Provided, further, that (iii) the State Board of Education shall not decrease the certification standards for physical education teachers or health education teachers below the standards in effect on June 1, ~~1988~~; 1988; and (iv) the State Board of Education shall not certify a speech and language pathologist, or audiologist, or any person who engages in the practice of speech and

1 language pathology or audiology, as these terms are defined in Article 22 of Chapter 90
2 of the General Statutes, who does not possess the minimum requirements for licensure
3 as a speech pathologist or audiologist as prescribed in Article 22 of Chapter 90 of the
4 General Statutes."

5 Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification and applies to speech
6 pathologists and audiologists certified by the State Board of Education on or after that
7 date.